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To whom it may concern,

I feel that the handling and slaughtering of animals is necessary in order to produce certain meat products. However, I learned about the manner concerning downed animals a little over a month ago through an article I happen to come across. I was shocked that animals were allowed to be treated in this way and then actually sold.

First of all, the fact that these animals are handled this way is inhumane. The article also pointed out that research has proven that meat from these animals can spread "mad cow" disease.

If this meat has the potential of spreading disease then it should never end up on shelves in supermarkets. I hope that the Food and Drug Administration will take action to do something about this manner to ensure quality in the meat products that we consume. Please give serious consideration to docket # (98P-0151/CPI), submitted by the Farm Sanctuary. At your earliest convenience please inform me of your decision on this matter. Thank you in advance for your time.

Sincerely,

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